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DATE: December 22, 2005

TO: Core Planning Group Members

FROM: Terry Winters

**Director of Emergency Planning** 

Re: Nassau County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

A meeting of the Core Planning Group (CPG) will be held on Thursday, January 12, 2006 at the Nassau County Office of Emergency Management, 100 Carman Avenue, East Meadow, New York.

The CPG manages the overall formulation of activities, so your participation is vital to the plan's success. As you may know, attendance was low at the first Core Planning Group (CPG) meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>. While some other stakeholders (i.e. DOT and Oyster Bay) were represented, no participating jurisdictions were able to attend.

As a courtesy, therefore, we are holding another session of the first CPG meeting January 12, from 10 am to 12 pm on for participating jurisdictions. Please, if you cannot attend yourself, consider sending an alternate so as not to jeopardize your community's participation in the overall multi-jurisdictional plan.

Participating jurisdictions from the morning session will reconvene and be joined by other stakeholders, for CPG meeting #2 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Please respond to NC-OEM with the name of the representative who will be attending the working session(s) no later than Monday, January 9, 2006. If you require additional information please contact Terry Winters at 516-573-0636, or at twinters@nassaucountyny.gov.

Both the morning and afternoon sessions of the meeting will be working sessions. At these working sessions, CPG members will:

- Provide information about natural hazards and their affects in each member's respective area, and will
  complete the hazard identification and hazard profile work sheets. This feedback will later be
  incorporated by our Contractors into the Plan.
- Provide feedback on their outreach activities to-date.
- Discuss how to develop greater participation from the local jurisdictions.
- Discuss on problem areas in their jurisdictions.
- Offer ideas for potential mitigation projects in local areas.
- Discuss plan maintenance procedures and plan integration.

Because the **Core Planning Group** manages the overall formulation of activities and contributes to the decision-making process, by organizing outreach efforts within their respective boundaries by means of a team concept, representatives on the CPG are, in effect, coordinators. The teams, "Area Assessment Teams," comprise representatives from the towns, villages, and cities as well as key stakeholders within that particular geographic area. The function of the Area Assessment Teams is to facilitate and coordinate planning efforts that are required in a multi-jurisdictional mitigation plan.

In preparation for this working session, we encourage you to take a few moments to think about natural hazards in your area, critical facilities and key infrastructure that may be at risk, problem areas that you may be aware of, and come prepared to roll up your sleeves and provide as much feedback as you can to our contractors for incorporation into the plan. Natural hazards that we will be focusing on are: coastal erosion, wave action, earthquakes, floods, landslides, extreme winds, and severe weather events such as: drought, hurricanes, tornadoes, and winter storms/ice storms.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and anticipated participation. We look forward to seeing you on January 12th, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Terence Winters

Terence Winters Director of Emergency Planning